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Reserve Funds:—
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Silver \$1,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$20,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONG KONG
BOARD OF DIRECTORS:—
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London
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Peking
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San Francisco
Shanghai
Singapore
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Tientsin
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Current Accounts opened in Local Currency and Fixed Deposits in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be found on application.
Hong Kong, 24th February, 1930.

HONG KONG SAVINGS BANK.

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FOR THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
A. C. HYNES, Manager.
Hong Kong, 18th September, 1927.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-MAATSCHAPPIJ, N.V.

(NEDERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY)
ESTABLISHED 1874.

Head Office:—11 Queen's Road Central.
Authorized Capital:—Guilder 10,000,000.
Paid-up Capital:—Guilder 5,000,000.
Reserve Fund:—Guilder 4,000,000.
(Guilder 10,000,000.)

Head Office:—(AMSTERDAM).
Branches:—Batavia, Borneo, Hongkong, London, Lyons, Manilla, Peking, Rangoon, San Francisco, Shanghai, Singapore, Sourabaya, Tientsin, Yokohama.
These offices have sole deposit rights to take London Remittances to and from the world. Banking business of every description transacted.
P. M. ELDRIDGE, Manager.
Hong Kong, 27th May, 1929.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

HEAD OFFICE: 86, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital:—Fr. 72,000,000.
Paid-up Capital:—Fr. 68,400,000.
Reserve Funds:—Fr. 102,000,000.

BRANCHES:—
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Batavia
Beijing
Canton
Hankow
Hong Kong
Kobe
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Lyons
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Peking
Rangoon
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Singapore
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IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Credit Industriel et Commercial; Societe Generale.
IN LONDON: The National Provincial & Union Bank of England, Ltd.; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais.
IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co.; French American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangements.
Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
Safe Deposit Boxes to let.
A. LECOT, Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st May, 1929.

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Reserve Fund Yen 108,500,000

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Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
Safe Deposit Boxes to let.
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Hong Kong, 1st May, 1929.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital:—£3,000,000
Reserve Fund:—£4,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors:—£3,000,000

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Foreign Exchange and General Banking business transacted.
Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON, Manager.
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1929.

THE HO HONG BANK, LTD.

(Established 1917).

Authorized Capital:—\$20,000,000
Issued:—\$10,000,000
Paid-up:—\$10,000,000
Reserve:—\$10,000,000

Shareholders:—4,000,000

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TAN ENG HOI, Manager.
Hong Kong, 16th May, 1929.

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(TAIWAN GINKO)

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Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Central Bank in Formosa.

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P. M. ELDRIDGE, Manager.
Hong Kong, 27th May, 1929.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

Established 1912.

Head Office:—Hong Kong.

Authorized Capital (H.K. Currency):—\$12,000,000
Paid-up Capital:—\$6,000,000
Reserve Fund:—\$6,000,000

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Hong Kong, 19th February, 1927.

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(行銀國中)

(Specially Authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China, on the 22nd of November, 1917.)

Authorized Capital:—\$80,000,000
Paid-up Capital:—\$18,278,600
Reserve Fund:—\$6,329,425.24

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OIL STORAGE

Big Deal By Texas Company

The Texas Company (China) Limited yesterday purchased over half a million feet of land near Tsun Wan.

The sale took place at the P.W.D. offices, the lot, described as Tsun Wan Marine Lot No. 1, being sold at the upset price of \$10,660.

An annual Crown rental of \$1,212 is payable on the property.

The China Mail is informed by the Texas Company that the tract of land purchased is for the purpose of providing increased storage facilities in keeping with the steady expansion of the company's business in South China.

The Gln Drinker's Bay installation at present used by the Texas Company is proving inadequate and further, due to the shallow water in the Bay deep sea vessels have to anchor some distance away, necessitating the use of lighters.

As the leading free and independent oil producing company in the world, the greatest asset of the Texas Company is the fact that practically all of the thirty thousand employees are shareholders.

The growth of the Texas Company may be gauged by the following figures, in 1929, 258,000,000 gallons of Texaco motor spirit were consumed by the motoring public, and in 1928, over 1,008,000,000 gallons were used. This is an actual increase of 313.9 per cent.

The Texas Company controls 6,431,151 acres of oil lands producing 147,000 barrels of crude oil daily. It has 17 refineries, 705 miles of pipe lines, 6,863 tank cars, 30 deep sea vessels, 17 ocean terminals and storage tanks with a total capacity exceeding 87,000,000 barrels.

The construction of this new and modern terminal at Tsun Wan should result in considerable development in that area which is admirably suited for industrial purposes.

COMPANY REPORT

Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.

The report for presentation to shareholders at the Forty-third Ordinary Annual Meeting to be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Thursday, March 13 at noon, is as under:—

The Directors beg to submit to shareholders their report with a statement of accounts for the year ended December 31, 1929.

The profit on working was \$1,302,861.36 as compared with \$1,004,858.82 in 1928.

The balance for the year, after transferring \$200,000.00 to Renewals Account, deducting Directors' and Auditors' fees, allowing for depreciation, and other outgoings, is \$730,055.98. The amount brought forward from last year is \$360,063.79, making a total of \$1,090,119.77 available for appropriation.

The Directors recommend the following:—

To pay a dividend of \$6.00 per share \$480,000.00

To pay a Bonus of \$3.00 per share 240,000.00

To carry forward 370,119.77

\$1,090,119.77

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th March, 1930 to WEDNESDAY, 19th March, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 20th Feb., 1930.

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The ANNUAL SHOW of Flowers and Vegetables will be held in the City Hall on Thursday,

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THE TWENTY FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company, Limited, on MONDAY, the 10th March, 1930, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st March to 10th March, 1930, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 13th February, 1930.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on WEDNESDAY, 12th March, 1930, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1929, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 28th February, 1930 to 12th March, 1930, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
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Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1930.

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS**

THE FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 13th March, 1930, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 3rd March, 1930, to THURSDAY, the 13th March, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNEL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 24th February, 1930.

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY LIMITED.**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on FRIDAY, the 14th March, 1930, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1929, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 14th March, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
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Hong Kong, 25th Feb., 1930.

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WOUNDED TIGER**Drags His Hunter From Tree****INCIDENT IN SIAM**

Bangkok, February 19.
How the expedition of a hunting party resulted in a near tragedy when it encountered and battled with a full-grown tiger is reported to the Bangkok Daily Mail from Changvad Prachuab Girikhand.

Nai Sang Mhaimegh, the Kamnan (chief-man) of Tambol Na Phra Hak, now lies in a serious condition, his body having been badly mangled in a single-handed combat with the wounded tiger. The beast was finally killed by the hunters.

On the thirteenth of this month the party set forth for the forest of Tambol Huey Kaew and Tambol Mah Rong on a game hunting expedition. For the first day the party did not come across a single game animal except a tiger which was scared away by a shot.

The next morning the party met the tiger again. So sudden did the hunters come across the animal that its presence frightened them. One fired a shot, the bullet hitting the beast near the ear. Wounded, the tiger leaped toward them furiously. The hunters turned around and raced for nearby trees for their lives. All successfully clambered up the trees: however, the one on which Kamnan Sang took refuge was very slender and it bent toward the ground with the additional weight.

The enraged tiger leaped up at him, its paws closing around his body. Both man and beast fell to the ground. Not losing his presence of mind for a moment, Kamnan Sang tried to fight the beast as best he could, hitting its head and jaw with his rifle.

Meanwhile the hunters who were taking refuge in the trees yelled and created a tumult of noise in an attempt to frighten away the animal, at the same time waiting for their chance to fire a shot at the beast, which was then closely wrestling with Kamnan Sang. At last an opportunity was found and one of the hunters took aim and fired. The bullet entered a vital spot and the beast dropped dead.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.**THE EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.**

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the E. E. Telegraph Co. office, Hong Kong:—
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Hong Kong, February 27, 1930.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH CO., LTD. OF DENMARK

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Superintendent.
Hong Kong, February 12, 1930.

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IDLE LIST**Serious Danger in America**

New York, Yesterday.
In order to relieve the "serious danger" of widespread unemployment in the United States, Congress has been asked to vote \$10,000,000, and also take measures to combat the "revolutionary calls for mass demonstrations of the unemployed" said to be issued by the Communists.

An appeal for Government funds is made by Senator Brookhart, the Republican, who estimates that between three million and six million are unemployed. This coincides with a statement by the Federation of Labour to Congress that unemployment in February reached a danger point, with twenty-two per cent. of organised labour idle. Forty-three per cent. of the building trade employees have laid off. The situation has since improved slightly.—Reuter's American Service.

NEW ORLEANS FIRE**30,000 Bales of Cotton Lost**

New Orleans, Yesterday.
A fire has swept the wharves and warehouses on the riverfront, the damage being estimated at \$600,000.
About thirty thousand bales of cotton were totally lost, and a hundred thousand damaged.
One person was killed, and thirteen sent to hospital.—Reuter's American Service.

HOTEL GUESTS**At the Hong Kong Hotel**

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NOVELIST'S DEATH

London, Yesterday.
The death has occurred of the novelist, D. H. Lawrence, at Venice, in the South of France.—Reuter.
[The late Mr. David Herbert Lawrence was born in 1885, and early won fame for novels of an unusual nature. His publications also included essays, poems, and drama. He latterly came into prominence owing to the suppression by the British authorities of some of his verse. A great deal was also said, at the time, of his privately-printed effort "Lady Chatterley's Lover," produced in 1928.]

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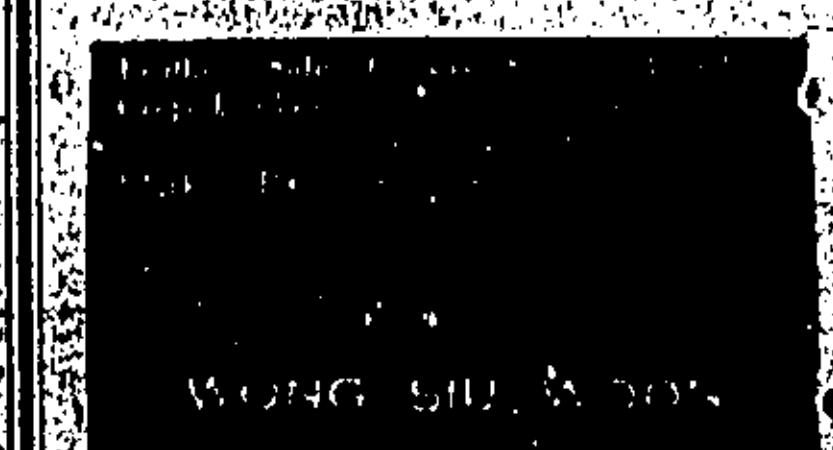
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SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.	Saturday, 5th April.
GINYO MARU	Saturday, 5th April.
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↑ TAKETOYO MARU	Wednesday, 19th March.
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RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BURNOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.	Friday, 21st March.
LAPLATA MARU	Friday, 21st March.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.	Tuesday, 4th March.
TASMANIA MARU	Sunday, 9th March.
CELEBES MARU	Wednesday, 19th March.
MEIGEN MARU	Wednesday, 19th March.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOZAMBIQUE—Via Singapore & Colombo.	Monday, 11th March.
CANADA MARU	Monday, 11th March.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Wednesday, 5th March.
GANGES MARU	Tuesday, 12th March.
SUMATRA MARU	Tuesday, 12th March.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.	Sunday, 9th March.
ALABAMA MARU (from Shanghai)	Sunday, 9th March.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Thursday, 6th March.
SYDNEY MARU	Thursday, 6th March.
HAIIPHONG—Via Haiphong & Pakhoi.	Thursday, 6th March, 10 a.m.
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 6th March, 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	Wednesday, 5th March.
JAPAN PORTS.	Tuesday, 11th March.
BORNEO MARU	Sunday, 9th March, Noon.
AMUR MARU	Sunday, 9th March, Noon.
KERUNG MARU	Thursday, 13th March, 10 a.m.
DELHI MARU	Friday, 14th March.
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COASTAL SHIPPING

Latest Changes in Personnel

Captain S. M. Barling, of the Chungking, has gone master, Whangpu.
Captain P. R. Puralow, of the Whangpu, is on reserve.
Mr. T. P. Beatty, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Taiyuan.

Mr. A. Nalmsmith, from Home leave, has gone extra chief officer, Hsin Peking.

Captain R. Allinson, from reserve, has gone master, Chungking.
Mr. C. Carrington, chief officer, Soochow, has gone acting master, Wanliu.

Mr. D. Needham, chief officer, Liangchow, has gone chief officer, Soochow.

Mr. P. McAllister, chief officer, Yunnan, has gone chief officer, Liangchow.

Mr. F. A. White, from reserve, has gone second officer, Ngankin.

Mr. A. M. Buchanan, second officer, Ngankin, is on reserve.

Mr. E. Williams, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Chungking.

Mr. A. H. Mills, chief officer, Chungking, has gone chief officer, Wanliu.

Mr. J. R. Forster, from reserve, has gone extra chief officer, Yunnan.

Mr. S. L. Garrett, second officer, Yunnan, has gone second officer, Wenchow.

Mr. S. D. Johnson, acting chief officer, Tatum, is on reserve.

Mr. J. H. McLaren, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Tatum.

Mr. J. R. Liley, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Chusan.

Mr. W. G. Lator, chief officer, Chusan, has gone to special duty.

Captain R. Hughes, from reserve, has gone master, Kiawo.

Mr. J. Shiell, second officer, Fuhwo, has gone second officer, Kiawo.

Mr. J. M. Bain, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Kwaisang.

Mr. D. G. Cairns, chief officer, Kwaisang, has resigned from the Indo-China S.N. Co.

Mr. A. J. Pigott, second officer, Kwaisang, has gone second officer, Kwaisang.

Mr. J. D. Palmer, acting chief officer, Kwaisang, has gone second officer, Kwaisang.

Mr. A. Houghton, second officer, Luenho, has gone second officer, Pingwo.

Mr. H. O. Lewis, second officer, Pingwo, has resigned from the Indo-China S.N. Co.

Mr. J. Owens, from reserve, has gone third officer, Hopsang.

Captain A. C. Browne, of the Ah Kwang, is on reserve.

Captain T. A. Lupton, from reserve, has gone master, Ah Kwang.

Captain W. D. Rogers from reserve has gone master, Teangtahn.

Captain A. R. Smith, of the Teangtahn, has gone master, Hsin Peking.

Mr. A. G. Stuart, from reserve, has gone extra chief engineer officer, Tungchow.

Mr. J. McGillivray, chief engineer officer, Wanliu, is on reserve.

Mr. R. Trathen, third engineer officer, Wantung, has gone second engineer officer, Wuchang.

Mr. R. Black, second engineer officer, Wuchang, has gone second engineer officer, Soochow.

Mr. J. Andrew, second engineer officer, Soochow, is on reserve.

Mr. A. T. Perry, from reserve, has gone chief engineer officer, Kutro.

Mr. W. Dykes, second engineer officer, Fuhwo, has gone second engineer officer, Slangwo.

Mr. R. Clark, second engineer officer, Kutro, is on home leave.

Mr. J. Nichol has been appointed third engineer officer, Luenho.

PASSENGER LIST

DEPARTURES

Per s.s. Rakuyo Maru for Valparaiso on March 21:—
Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo Gallardo Arledge, Miss Ines Toro Soto, Aurelio Cuan, Miss Lilia Maria Cuan Villalobos, Miss Angel Alejandro Cuan Villalobos, Miss Alfredo Villalobos, Americo Cuan Villalobos, Master Daniel As.

ANOTHER STEAMER MISHAP

On the arrival in port yesterday evening of the s.s. Taiyo Maru, a report was made to the Police that the ship had collided with a junk off Kulan Point during dense fog yesterday.
Sixteen members of the crew of the junk were thrown into the water but were rescued by the Taiyo Maru and brought to Hong Kong.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th inst. will be subject to rent.
All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 10th inst. or they will not be recognised.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 8th inst. at 10 a.m., by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
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No Fire Insurance has been effected.
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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMER

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Kobe on March 3 (Mon.) at 230 p.m., left Kobe on March 4 (Tues.) at 6 a.m., and is due at Shanghai on March 6 (Thurs.) at 3 p.m. She leaves Shanghai on March 7 (Fri.) at 3 p.m.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Hravady" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after March 7.
Consignees of cargo ex M.V. "Romolo" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after March 9.

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EMPEROR OF CANADA	Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 27	Apr. 4
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Apr. 9	Apr. 12	Apr. 15	Apr. 17	Apr. 24
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Apr. 30	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 17
EMPEROR OF CANADA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	May 30
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 12	June 21
EMPEROR OF ASIA	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 12
EMPEROR OF CANADA	July 10	July 13	July 16	July 18	July 25
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	July 23	July 26	July 29	July 31	Aug. 9
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 13	Aug. 15	Aug. 22
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 20	Aug. 23	Aug. 26	Aug. 28	Sept. 5
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Sept. 7	Sept. 10	Sept. 13	Sept. 15	Sept. 22
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Sept. 25	Oct. 2
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Oct. 2	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Oct. 10	Oct. 17
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Oct. 15	Oct. 18	Oct. 21	Oct. 23	Oct. 30
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Oct. 30	Nov. 2	Nov. 5	Nov. 7	Nov. 14
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*ALIPORE	5,273	19th Mar.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
RAWALPINDI	16,519	29th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MALWA	10,960	13th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	16,568	23rd Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BELTANA		3rd May	Marseilles & London.

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*TANDA	6,056	1930 4th Apr.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

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TAKADA	6,949	5th Mar. 6 a.m.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	11th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
MALWA	10,960	14th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NAGPORE	5,233	19th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	21st Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAJPUTANA	16,568	28th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SHIRALA	7,841	31st Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*BELTANA		6th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KYBER	9,114	8th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKLIWA	7,986	8th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NELLORE	6,853	8th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	11th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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purchase of Hog Island from the United
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and as soon as the offer is approved by
the board, will begin the construction
of an airport to cost \$6,000,000, exclu-
sive of the cost of the land.

Hog Island, consisting of 900 acres,
most of which lies within the city
limits, was used during the War as one
of the most extensive shipbuilding
plants in the emergency fleet opera-
tions. It was acquired at a cost of
\$10,000,000. Vast amounts were
spent in equipment and it was just
getting under full production when the
armistice put an end to emergency
shipbuilding. Since that day it has
been idle.

Negotiations have been under way
for the property for more than a year
when Philadelphia began looking over
available airport sites. The city will
make a down payment of \$250,000,
carrying the balance over a term of
years at 2½ per cent. interest.

Tentative plans for the development
of the airport call for a rail, water and
air terminal, for which the city has
\$1,000,000 available from loans voted
last autumn. Except for preliminary
surveys the airport layout has not
taken definite shape. Heads of trans-
portation companies, however, have
announced their willingness to co-oper-
ate in the development of the terminal
as soon as the city acquired the prop-
erty.—Christian Science Monitor.

DUTCH AIR LINE

Question of Landing in
India Considered

Rugby, Yesterday.
Capt. W. Benn was questioned in
the House of Commons regarding
the causes of delay in granting per-
mission to the Dutch air service to
Batavia to carry out a further series
of flights over that portion on the
route which lies over Indian ter-
ritory.

He replied it has not yet been
possible to authorities a regular
service across India, owing to the
incompletion of ground organisa-
tion, though some trial flights had
been permitted. The question of
permitting further flights was now
under reference to the Indian Gov-
ernment.—British Wireless Service.

HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has
been obtained by aid of the Tide-pre-
dicting Machine, which includes 40
components for the better prediction
of tides, from the result of the
analysis of the tidal observations,
taken at the Kowloon tidal observa-
tory under the direction of Dr.
Dobroczky during the years 1887, 1888
and 1889.

The times and heights are given
for Kowloon; but they may be used
for the Victoria Naval Yard and
Aberdeen, the differences being very
small.
The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

March 4 to 10, 1930.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWER WATER
March	Standard Times	Standard Times
Tues. 4	m 11 41 11 07 a 0 14 a	m 5 50 5 43 a 6 15 a
Wed. 5	m 10 48 0 53 a 1 12 a	m 6 40 6 34 a 7 44 a
Thurs. 6	m 9 48 1 44 a 2 47 a	m 7 40 7 30 a 8 30 a
Fri. 7	m 8 48 2 47 a 3 47 a	m 8 40 8 30 a 9 30 a
Sat. 8	m 7 48 3 47 a 4 47 a	m 9 40 9 30 a 10 30 a
Sun. 9	m 6 48 4 47 a 5 47 a	m 10 40 10 30 a 11 30 a
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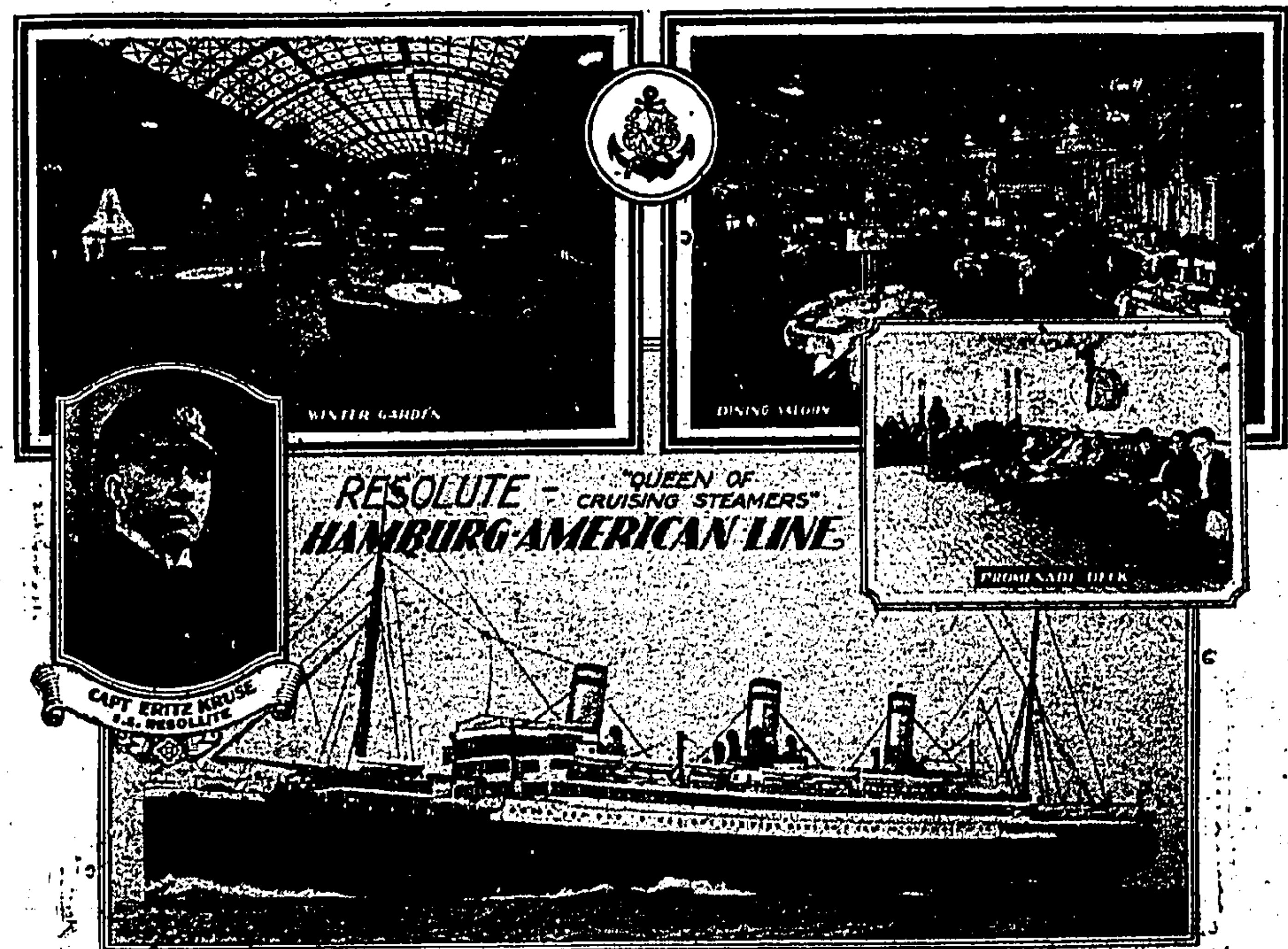
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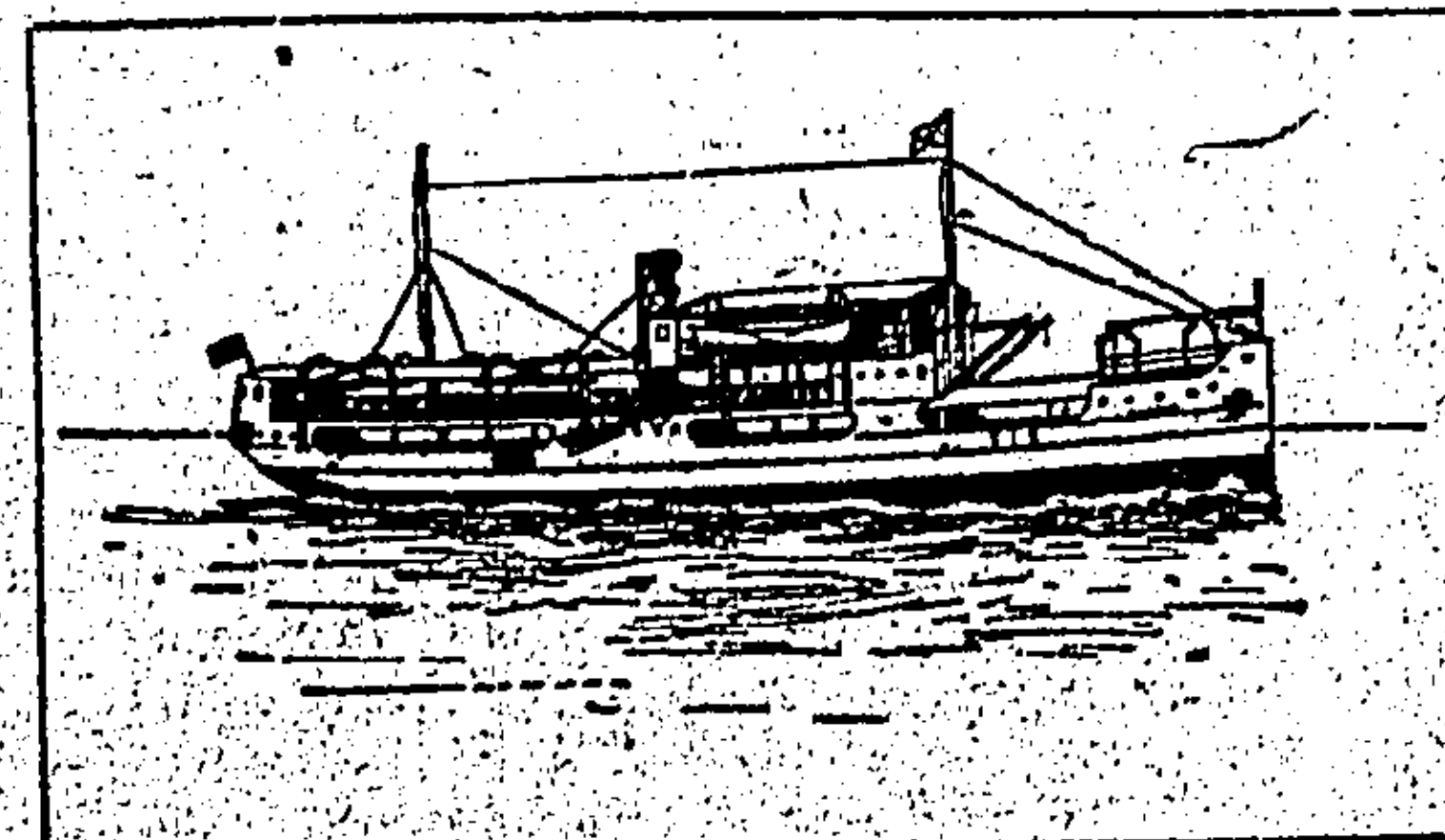
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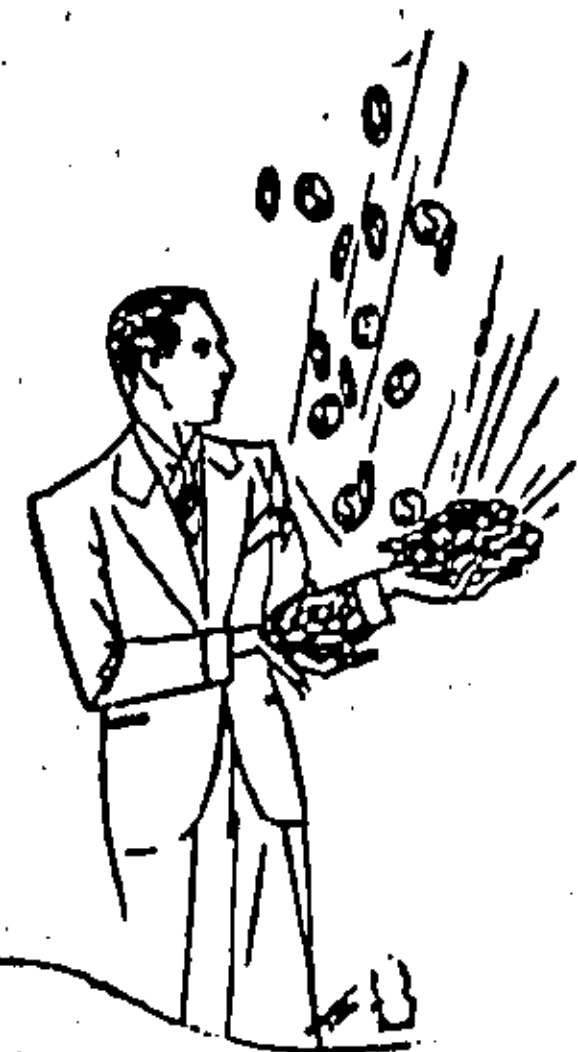
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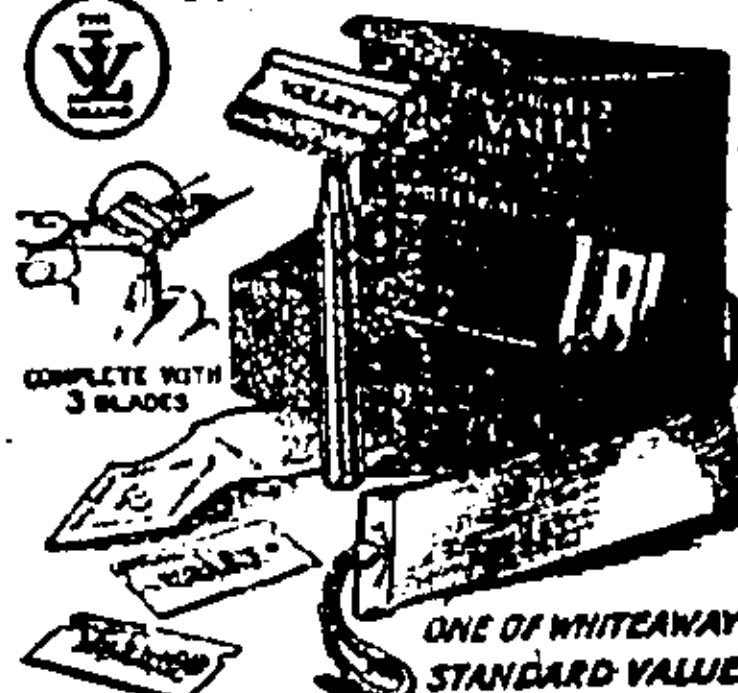
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"MUST BE STOPPED"

A dramatic change in policy is
how the Straits Times describes
the action of Sir Cecil Clementi
in vetoing the activities of the
Kuomintang in Malaya. Whilst
in this Colony, it may now be
said, Sir Cecil was often mis-
understood in relation to his
Chinese policy. Whether that
was his own fault, or the fault of
his critics, does not now matter.

To many of the general public
he may have given an impression
that the Chinese had only to ask
for the moon and it was theirs,
so far as he personally could help
in getting it for them! But, how-
ever pro-Chinese he may have ap-
peared at times he was first and
foremost a Briton, keenly solici-
tous for the British Empire's in-
terests throughout the Far East,
and nothing emanating from
Chinese sources could ever hope
for his support were he to be the
slightest degree suspicious that
British interests might be
jeopardised. Now that he has
been removed from the immediate
turmoil of Chinese politics he has
lost no time in revealing himself
in his true character.

In Malaya the Kuomintang has
been on the list of forbidden
societies for some years. At the
time of intense anti-British feel-
ing in China, after the Shanghai
and Canton riots, the authorities
in Malaya suppressed it with
rigour, but up to within a short
time of Sir Cecil's arrival in
Singapore the Kuomintang con-
tinued to exist with little or no
attempt at concealment. Only
last November the then High
Commissioner of the Federated
States, Sir Cecil, in the course

of his annual address to the
Federal Council that the Kuom-
intang had remained quiescent
but that anti-British propaganda
emanating from the Propaganda
Department of its centre in
Nanking continued to reach
Malaya.

The official statement of Sir
Cecil's action may well be here
quoted:—

"On Thursday afternoon
His Excellency saw 17 mem-
bers of the executive and
supervising committee of the
General Branch of the Kuom-
intang of Malaya.

"His object in so doing was
to explain clearly the Malayan
Governments' policy towards
the Kuomintang of Malaya, to
which His Excellency's atten-
tion had been called on the day
of his arrival by reports in the
Chinese vernacular Press stat-
ing that meetings of the Kuom-
intang had been held in
Singapore.

"His Excellency stated that
the Government was not pre-
pared to allow the Kuomintang
to function in the Malay
States or the Straits Settle-
ments. He was not prepared to
allow Kuomintang meetings to
be held, Kuomintang propa-
ganda to be published, or sub-
scriptions to be collected in
Malaya.

"Neither was he going to
allow members of the Kuom-
intang to be enrolled in Malaya.
He emphasised that the policy
of the British Government was
friendly towards the Chinese;
and was anxious to see law and
order restored in China.

"His Majesty's Government, he
said, recognised the Nanking
Government as being the lawful
Government of China and has
friendly feelings towards the
Kuomintang, from which the
Nanking Government has been
formed.

"His Excellency ended by
stating that he had always been
friendly with the Chinese
whenever he had been, but that
the Governments of Malaya
could not allow the large Chi-
nese political organisations to
form themselves in British and
British-protected territory."

News in Brief

Mrs. D. W. Tratman is to dis-
tribute the prizes at the Wah Yan
College on March 19 at 5.15 p.m.

Judgment was reserved by the
Full Court of Appeal at the con-
clusion of the Po Hing Theatre case
yesterday.

The 1st Bat allon of the Somerset
Light Infantry formally moved into
Murray Barracks yesterday. Mar-
ried families will occupy the
Married Quarters as from to-
morrow.

Lt. Colonel C. D. Myles, O.B.E.,
R.A.M.C., has assumed the duties of
Assistant Director of Medical Ser-
vices, China Command, vice Colonel
T. E. Fielding, who has been posted
to the Home Establishment.

Yesterday a burglar entered the
first floor of 355, Nathan Road, the
residence of Mrs. Pearson but
escaped when his presence was
detected. He had gained admis-
sion by breaking the lock on the
back door.

For having two ladies beside him
in the front seat of his car, whereby
he could not have had full control
of the vehicle, a Chinese motorist, who
was represented in Court by his
brother, was yesterday fined \$5 by
Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith.

For driving his car at between
30 and 35 miles per hour in Nathan
Road, Kowloon, between the
junction of Waterloo Road and the
Majestic Theatre, Mr. E. Leitaio was
yesterday afternoon fined \$10 by
Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith.

Major F. Harris, M.C., R.A.M.C.,
has assumed the duties of Deputy
Assistant Director of Medical Ser-
vices, and Deputy Assistant Direc-
tor of Hygiene, China Command,
vice Major D. Gordon Cheyne,
O.B.E., M.C., R.A.M.C., who sailed
for Home on completion of a tour of
foreign service.

Major D. McKelvey, R.A.M.C.,
who has recently done duty in
Shanghai as Surgical Specialist to
No. 7 General Hospital, has been
posted to the Military Hospital,
Hong Kong, in the same capacity, in
place of Major R. H. Lucas, O.B.E.,
M.C., R.A.M.C., who has proceeded
Home on completion of tour of duty
in Hong Kong.

Captain D. H. G. McCrick, R.A.M.C.,
Somerset Light Infantry, who has
recently vacated the appointment
of Staff Captain, Sind Independent
Brigade Area, was intended to be
posted to Hong Kong for duty with
the First Battalion. This posting
has now been cancelled, and Captain
McCrick is posted to the 2nd
Battalion, stationed at Tidworth.

A class in the modern method of
teaching art in schools will be op-
ened at the Technical Institute, under
the charge of Mrs. O'Connor, Art
Mistress, King's College. The
class, which is to meet weekly, will
extend over a term of four months,
after which the extension of the
course will be considered. The fee
for the term is \$10, payable in ad-
vance, and the class will meet at
King's College on March 10, at
5.30 p.m.

Because he had hitherto had a
clear record, a car driver employed
by the Hong Kong Telephone Co.
was yesterday saved from a heavy
fine when he was summoned before
Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, at the
Kowloon Magistracy, for speeding
at between 34 and 35 miles an hour
in Waterloo Road. His Worship
imposed a fine of \$15 and told de-
fendant that but for his good record
it would have been \$35.

CURRENCY RESERVE

Government of India's Silver Holding

London, Yesterday.
Replying to questions in the House
of Commons, Captain Wedgwood Benn
stated that the Government of India's
silver holding in currency reserve on
February 28, 1929, amounted 10,722
lakhs of rupees, compared with 10,447,
10,638, and 9,989 lakhs of rupees for
March 31, 1927, 1928, and 1929—
Reuter.

FERRY ACCIDENT

Premature Effort to Land on Wharf

A Chinese named Chang Kai
(38), of 188, Woosung Street, was
admitted to the Kowloon Hospital
last night suffering from a crush-
ed left leg. The injury was re-
ceived through the man attempt-
ing to jump from the Yaumati
ferry launch Man Lai on to the
wharf before the launch had been
made fast. He missed his footing
and his leg was caught between
the launch and the wharf.

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Two Camps

As a result of an honest and conscientious divergence of views, the nine Directors have ranged themselves into two camps, made up of three in one camp and six in the other, each tenaciously holding its own ground and apparently irreconcilable in their respective attitude. Both feel they are right; both eager to safeguard the best interests of the Company. To both, therefore, shareholders are indebted for their earnestness of purpose.

Let me digress for a moment and examine the composition of the membership of the opposing camps. In one, let us call the "minority directors" are the three Chinese directors; in the other (and it will be styled the "majority directors") are the six European members. Both groups are made up of men of substance in this Colony, men who enjoy a commercial reputation and for whose opinions respect is claimed. Sir Robert Ho Tung is the leader of the "minority" group. He has given 14 years of service to the company as director. This length of service places him in the unique position of an intimate personal knowledge of, and acquaintance with, the working of the company in all its branches and of its present and future requirements. Mr. Li Tse-fong is a large shareholder and has extensive business connections with the Chinese. Mr. M. K. Lo is a leading member of the Chinese community of Hong Kong whose complete confidence he enjoys.

Majority Group

The majority group is led by the Chairman of directors, who, until the return of Mr. C. Gordon Mackie, was Mr. M. T. Johnson. His associates are Messrs. J. P. Warren, R. E. Coxon, J. M. Alves, J. H. Little and R. K. Batchelor. It will therefore be seen that the contending parties pitted against each other can have no other motive to serve than that of the well-being of the company of whose destiny in Sir Robert's own word, they are placed in the position of "masters."

The point I would like to emphasize is that the "split" arose in connection with the policy of the renewal of the farming out of the Chinese freight and passage business of the company's steamers. I ask you to keep well in mind that it is the Chinese side of the company's business with which we are concerned at the moment. Can the European section of the Board hope to appreciate Chinese psychology and interpret Chinese mentality with the same degree of understanding that their Chinese colleagues on the Board do? I am afraid not. The lack of direct personal contact, a complete absence of the knowledge of the language and imperfect acquaintance with Chinese business methods must necessarily place the European members in a position of disadvantage as compared with their Chinese conferees. The opinion of the latter is, therefore, entitled to greater consideration and must carry greater weight and influence in all matters appertaining to Chinese business.

Fear Not Imaginary

The Chinese advice to us is that, if the present Chinese farmer were continued in his present strong position, it would be so impregnable with the lapse of years that the company's independent existence would be placed at the mercy of their own farmer. This fear is not imaginary. It is very real indeed. It has transpired in one of the later stages of the recent negotiations for a compromise between the conflicting views of the Directors that "although the Board was willing to run its steamers on its own account, under conditions which amply protect the company from being in a worse position than if the existing farming agreement had been adhered to, the Company now proposes to continue the system of farming out to Mr. Woo."

Some time ago Sir Robert Ho Tung sounded a note of warning of what might happen: he was ignored. Impending danger now threatens the company in a very real sense. Sir Robert is very anxious to ward it off. His is not a negligible interest in the company: it is a very substantial one. So are those of his associates. Sir Robert, Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. M. K. Lo hold between them more than one-third the total capital of the company. They are men of business, of mature judgment and cool deliberation, are not likely to trifle in their consideration of the interest in the company out of spite. There is a large interest, and they are not likely to make it on the side of the line. Their advice is therefore, and it is a very sound one, that the company should be run on its own account.

shareholders to contemptuously throw it aside as of little moment and unworthy of consideration and acceptance.

Rival Tenderers' Security

Through Sir Robert's action, for which he was thanked by the Board, the present farmer's last tender was increased by \$10,000. It was he who secured a tender from another prospective farmer whose initial offer for the business was slightly better than the present farmer's tender for the first year, and \$12,000 better for the second and third years. Compare the respective values of the security offered by the two rival tenderers. In the case of the present farmer it is only \$200,000. In the case of his competitor it is five times as large, viz., \$1,000,000! And yet, for no convincing reason, the majority directors decided to ignore the new tender with all its greater advantages to shareholders and to afford the present farmer a fresh opportunity to increase his offer so as to enable the directors to award the new contract to him. Pertinently, Sir Robert Ho Tung remarks, "the principle underlying the advantage of sealed tenders is defeated."

I can only attribute to a considerate moderation the absence of an outburst of indignation against a deliberate policy of playing fast and loose with the minority directors in the vacillation that has made itself felt as such a pronounced feature of the conduct of negotiations by the majority directors, and which must be decidedly annoying, to put it mildly, to the minority group. There was patient endurance when the minority agreed to consent to a postponement of this meeting from December 3 last till to-day. In order that negotiations for a compromise might take place. The counsel of moderation on the part of the minority directors was rewarded in the end with the intimation, on February 6, that "any change in the present system of farming of the Steamboat Company's steamers may lead to eventual breaking up of the existing Pool Agreement between the Steamboat Company and the China Navigation Company." But we are told "that there are Agreements legally binding on both Messrs. Butterfield & Swire and the Company until December 31, 1936."

"Captain of My Soul"

Sir Robert has dramatically pleaded with us that "the company might be captain of its own ships and master of its own destiny." What a fitting paraphrase of William Ernest Henley's lines: "It matters not how strait the gate."

How charged with punishments the scroll,

I am the master of my fate,
I am the captain of my soul."

I plead with you, Gentlemen, in the words of James Benjamin Kenyon, to "Be the proud captain still of thine own fate."

Are we going to be so deaf to Sir Robert's appeal, so indifferent to our own interests, so subservient to the dictates of others, as to ignore the logical advocacy of our cause and fail to support the authors of the Resolution before us by denying them our loyal support and withholding from them our vote that will help them to emerge triumphant from a contest to which they have devoted so much anxious time and laboured with such unflagging zeal in order that the company might assert its independence and shake off the tyranny of a relentless force? I cannot for one moment imagine that we can do otherwise than vote wholeheartedly for the resolution moved by Sir Robert Ho Tung and seconded by Mr. Li Tse-fong. They rely on us for it. Let us give it to them without stint and so prove that diligence, zeal and watchfulness in our case must have their reward.

Mr. M. K. Lo supported the resolution.

The two resolutions were then put to the meeting and were carried by 24 votes to 22.

After the ballot, the Chairman said that in accordance with article 74 of the Articles of Association of the Company he would demand a poll for which he fixed June 28, in order to give absent directors and shareholders an opportunity of voting.

[Owing to extreme pressure on our space several speeches have been omitted, but will be published to-morrow.]

HISTORY OF DISPUTE

Several shareholders, including myself, have sent a resolution, dated December 2, 1929, to the directors, requiring them "forthwith" to proceed to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company for the purpose of considering the general policy of the Company in regard to the farming out of the Chinese freight and passage business of its steamers.

and to the recent tenders sent in to the Company in respect thereof, and for the purpose of passing such resolutions in relation thereto as may be thought fit."

Notice has been given to the Company that it is intended to move the following resolution at this meeting:—

Resolution:

(a) That the policy of the renewal of the farming-out of the Chinese freight and passage business of the Company's steamers to the same farmer, in view of the fact that the farmer is himself a competitor of the Company's business is prejudicial to the interest of the Company; and
(b) That accordingly the directors be and are hereby notified that it is the wishes of the shareholders of this Company that the directors should abandon the said policy and should adopt a new policy of either giving preference, as far as possible, to a non-competitive tenderer for the farming contract, or run its steamers on its own account.

2. In view of the great importance of the meeting which will be convened in pursuance of our requisition, I feel it only right that I should explain shortly the facts which have resulted in the action which we have taken.

The Farming System

3. The farming system, which will be referred to later, was started some 11 years ago. Prior to this time the Company ran its steamers on its own, employing an office comrade and the usual Chinese staff on board.

4. About 11 years ago the practice was started of farming out the Chinese freight and passage business to an outsider, the Company retaining control of its ships and running them. Mr. Woo Hay-tong became the first farmer.

5. Ever since, with each renewal of contract, Mr. Woo has been awarded the farm. At first there were several outside tenders, but gradually, with each new term, and it was known that the Company would prefer Mr. Woo, fewer and fewer tenders were received. Last year there was only one outside tender, and the same as regards this year.

6. Mr. Woo appeared to have made good profits out of the farming with which, naturally—and no fair-minded business man can blame him—he gradually built up and consolidated his position as a ship-owner. Out of the profits he thus made he founded the Tung On Steamship Company, and built the s.s. Tung On and Sai On, which of course constitute a direct opposition and competition to the Company's steamers.

7. Year after year I pointed out to the Board the ultimate implication of their policy, namely, that the Company would increasingly have to depend on Mr. Woo.

8. Sometimes when the question of having a new tender arose the directors would decide giving Mr. Woo the continuance of the farming contract on the ground that, having proved himself satisfactory to the Company in the past years, he should be given the preference. Other considerations in favour of a competitive tenderer and, incidentally, more beneficial to the shareholders do not appear to outweigh the predilection for Mr. Woo. Sometimes this preference would be based on the ground that it would be dangerous and threatening to the Company to contemplate any "split" and a freight war with him. In vain I attempted to point out that if Mr. Woo were in such a strong position with the lapse of years, until ultimately it would be so impregnable that the Company's independent existence would be placed at the mercy of its own farmer.

Exploding A Fallacy

9. Last year, in order to explode what I considered to be a fallacy, namely, that no outsider would venture to tender with Mr. Woo in the field, I personally offered to take the farming contract myself by paying 5 per cent. more than the tender (whatever the amount might be) received from Mr. Woo; but as I made this offer as a test of my theory and in the absolute conviction that I was right and the directors wrong—a test that could not but prove beneficial to the Company—I left it to the directors whether to accept it or not. In proof of the correctness of my attitude it is interesting to emphasize the fact that the 5 per cent. increase offered by me led to Mr. Woo's tender being increased by \$12,000 with a contingent clause that the Company would participate in half his profits when they exceeded 10 per cent. For this I was thanked by the Board.

10. Whilst on leave in North China in the month of October last I wrote confidently to my colleagues suggesting:—

(a) that the Company should run the Chinese freight and passage side of its business on its own account; or, alternatively,
(b) outside tenders should be encouraged.

Neither of these suggestions was adopted.

Outside Tenders
11. Subsequent to my return and after a general meeting of the Company, a majority of the directors agreed

to call for outside tenders. Two tenders were received, one from Mr. Hung Tze-ye, and the other from Mr. Woo. Mr. Woo's tender was strictly not a tender at all because, whilst he offered to continue the farming contract on certain terms, he stipulated that it should be suspended if the s.s. Venezia should be put on the run, and further that the hire money was to be "adjusted" every year. The amount of security Mr. Woo put up for the performance of the contract was to be the same as before, i.e., \$200,000 for both the Canton and Macao lines.

12. I frankly admit that I took a lot of trouble in persuading various gentlemen to send in tenders. I succeeded with one but only after great difficulty, as all predicted that their tender, however attractive, would not be accepted. They felt that it was a foregone conclusion that Mr. Woo would be awarded the new contract. The gentleman whom I succeeded in persuading to tender is Mr. Hung, to whom I even offered financial assistance, as I regarded an outside tender to be so important. Subsequently Mr. Hung's tender was increased by \$24,000 a year—\$12,000 in respect of the Canton and the same amount for the Macao line.

Tenders Compared

13. When these two tenders were before the Board it was adjourned to the next day for an analysis of the figures to be made and it was again adjourned. When the Board met it was announced that Mr. Hung would even make a further increase and I also agreed personally to guarantee Mr. Hung to the extent of \$500,000, so that with the security (either in shares or title deeds) which Mr. Hung agreed to put up amounting to \$500,000, the total amount of security would be \$1,000,000. Even on the figures of Mr. Hung's original tender they were slightly better than Mr. Woo's for the first year and \$12,000 better for the second and third years.

14. It should be emphasized and repeated that strictly there was only one tender before the Board, namely, Mr. Hung's as Mr. Woo did not send in any tender in accordance with the printed requirements. His tender took the form of a letter containing proposals which were contingent. However, the majority of the directors once more decided to ignore Mr. Hung's tender, and to negotiate with Mr. Woo with a view to getting an increase from him and to award the contract to him. It will thus be seen that the principle underlying the advantage of sealed tenders is defeated and provides yet another proof in substantiation of the discouragement of outside tenders.

15. I should like here to pause and to point out that if I had not succeeded in inducing Mr. Hung to tender the Company would have no alternative but to accept Mr. Woo's terms, unattractive as they were, and in years to come, and unless the policy of the Company were altered, it is impossible to see how anyone would venture to tender.

Preference For Outsider

16. At the first meeting of the Board regarding the tenders, namely, on November 19, 1929, Mr. M. K. Lo made the following statement to the Board:—

"Sir Robert, Ho Tung, Mr. Li Tse-fong and I have very anxiously considered the whole question of the tender, which is now before the Board, in relation to the future of the Company. Our deliberate view is that in the interests of the future of the Company it would be better to award the tender to an outsider rather than to the present farmer unless his tender shall be the highest. From previous discussions it would appear that this view is not shared by some of our colleagues."

"We realize that as directors we are more or less in the position of trustees for the shareholders of the Company, and we feel this matter to be of such fundamental importance that, if there shall be any difference amongst us as to whom the tender shall be awarded, this question should be referred to the views of the shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting to be convened. We therefore request that in the absence of a unanimous decision of this Board, and irrespective of whether a majority decision should be against us or not, an extraordinary general meeting shall be forthwith convened." In any case should this Board as a whole decide this question and should the majority decision be

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against our views, we hereby give notice that we shall forthwith take the necessary steps to convene such an extraordinary general meeting ourselves, and we therefore ask that, before a majority decision of this Board, against our views, be carried into effect, a reasonable opportunity be given to call this extraordinary general meeting."

Directors Resign

17. This subject was again deliberated at two subsequent meetings of the Board, viz., on November 20 and 28, respectively. The other directors refused to accept this suggestion, and persisted in their insistence—which was carried by a majority of votes—to negotiate with Mr. Woo with a view to awarding the tender to him, and in consequence Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. M. K. Lo and I have resigned from our positions as directors.

18. Messrs. Deacons, on behalf of the Company, informed us on December 9, 1929, that the requisition meeting would be held on December 23, 1929, at 8 p.m. On December 11, 1929, Messrs. Lo and Lo, on my behalf, replied to Messrs. Deacons noting the date of the requisition meeting, and giving them notice of the resolution which it was intended to be moved at such meeting.

19. Since then it was suggested that an effort should be made to reach a compromise in order to avoid the necessity of an extraordinary meeting. Holding the strong opinion I did, and do, it was of course impossible for me to be a party to any arrangement which would be at variance with my views. But I was given to understand that the Company would consider the question of running the steamers on its own as an experiment for a certain period, under certain conditions. I was thereupon urged to consent to a postponement of the meeting in order that such negotiations might take place.

Eliminate Freight War

20. It is neither desirable nor necessary to go into detail over these negotiations. I would merely therefore say that there were exchanges of memoranda between myself and the Company, and there were interviews, with the result that both parties agreed to the principle that the Company should run the Chinese freight and passage side of its business on its own account for one year, under an arrangement or understanding with Mr. Woo Hay-tong which has for its object the elimination of any possibility of a freight war between the two parties. The Company was to run the business through the Chinese directors, who were to be invited to rejoin the Board. This sub-committee was, of course, to be subject to the control of the Board, but would have the same authority in relation to the management of the Chinese staff, etc., as that which would be exercised by a farmer under a farming contract.

21. In order, however, to show the sincerity of my own convictions I would like to state more fully one of the terms insisted upon by the Board, to which I agreed.

Board's Conditions

One of the Board's conditions was:—

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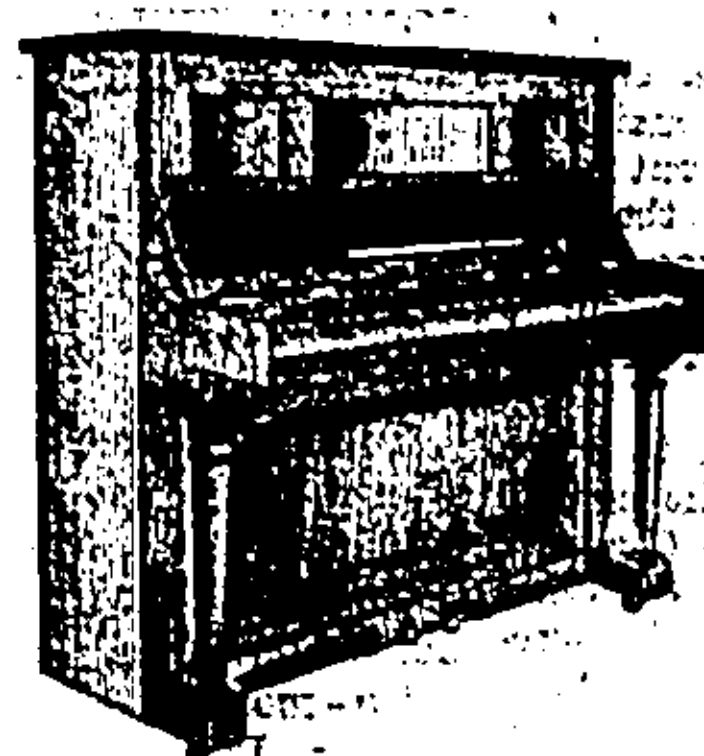
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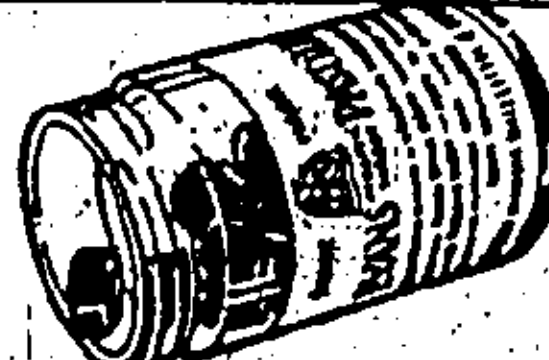
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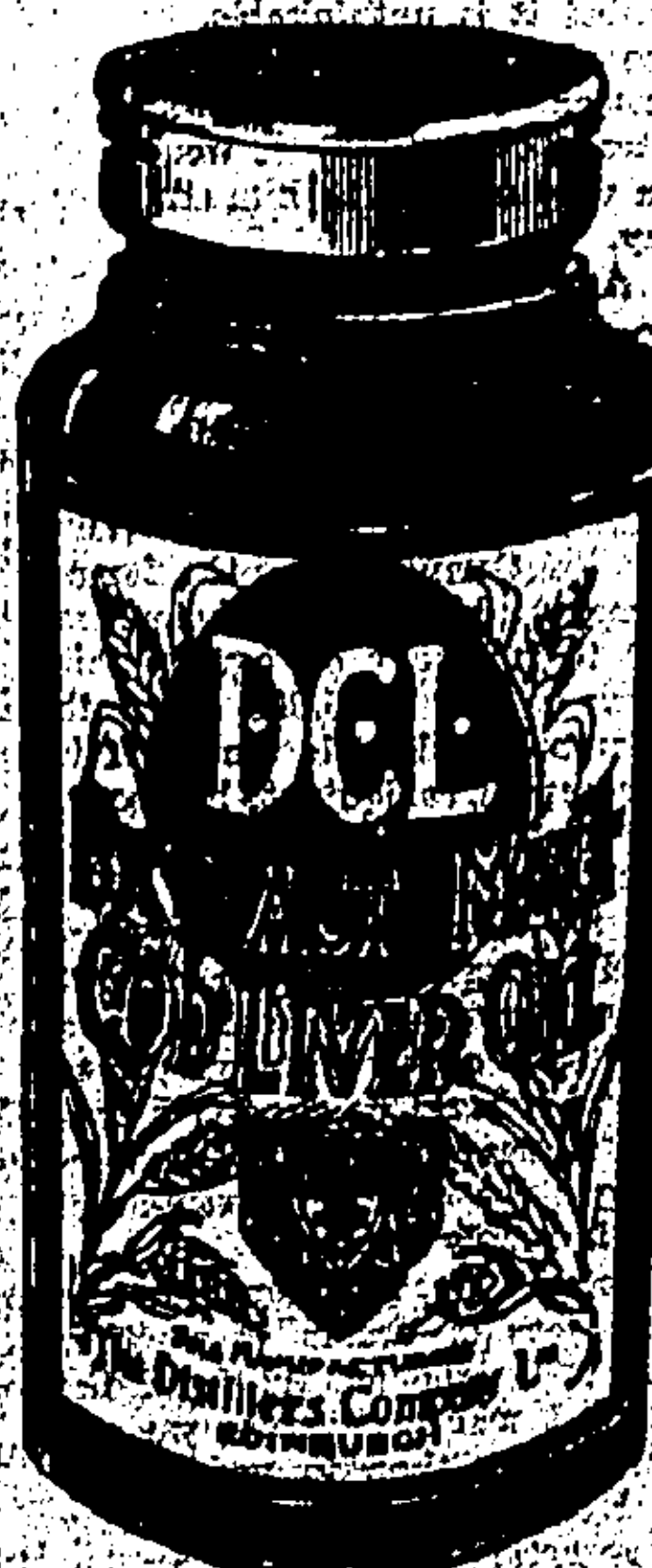
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"As the Board will be abandoning a secured revenue from the Farming Contract they consider that the Company should have a guarantee that the earnings during the period of trial would not be less than the amount which would have been assured to the Company if the present Farming Syndicate's tenders had been accepted."

22. To this proposal I replied as follows:—
"At first it would seem to be an unreasonable that those who made a bona fide suggestion to the Company entirely in the interests of the Company should be called upon to furnish a guarantee for the actual results of that suggestion if it were adopted by the Board and that I felt disinclined to wish to proceed further. But after considering the profound conviction I doubt that it is to the interests of the Company to run such business on its own, and realising my moral responsibility in any event I felt I ought to do my best to meet the Board in this respect so as, once more, to demonstrate the sincerity of my conviction. It is, of course, unbusinesslike and even quixotic to expect anyone to give a guarantee involving potentially large sums without some consideration in return. I therefore propose that I should give the guarantee as desired by the Board on condition, however, that any profits in excess of the guaranteed amount should be divided equally between the Company and the guarantor. For the purpose of this guarantee I consider that the basis should be taken as under the existing farming contract, and further that, under such guarantee, the period of trial should be two years at least. In this way the Company must at least get what it has been getting under the existing farm 'plus the prospect of half of the profits in excess.'"

23. This condition was accepted on both sides subject to the reduction of the period from two years to one year.
24. Throughout these negotiations I was definitely anxious to understand that Butterfield and Swire had agreed in principle to the working out of some amicable arrangement whereby the Company should run its steamers on its own account for a certain period. On February 6, 1930, however, Messrs. Li Tse-fong and M. K. Lo were informed by the Chairman of the Board that Butterfield and Swire had received telegraphic instructions from their office in London to the following effect:—

"Any change in the present system of farming of the Steamboat Company's steamers would mean that China Navigation Company would entertain another farmer which would create an unworkable position and may lead to eventual breaking up of the existing pool agreement between the Steamboat Company and the China Navigation Company."

25. The Chairman stated that he must interpret this as meaning that in the event of the farming agreement not being given to Mr. Woo there would be open competition between the Navigation Company and Woo Hay-tong on the one hand, and the Steamboat Company on the other, and that in the circumstances any further negotiations would be futile.

26. It will thus be seen that although the Board was willing to run its steamers on its own account under conditions which amply protect the Company from being in a worse position than if the existing farming agreement had been adhered to, together with the prospect of an enhanced profit, and although both Butterfield and Swire and Mr. Woo had agreed in principle to the Company taking this step, the Company now proposes to continue the system of farming out to Mr. Woo.

27. To define the relations between Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and the Company, shareholders who cannot be expected to be aware of the history of the Butterfield and Swire-Steaming Co., Ltd., may like to have from me a brief outline of the history of this partnership.

28. In 1879 the Steamboat Company entered into a working agreement with Butterfield and Swire (China Navigation Co., Ltd.) which will expire on December 31, 1930. The Steamboat Co. own 6/8ths and Butterfield and Swire own 2/8ths of the ship. Butterfield and Swire pay 3/8ths of all the working expenses except charges for the Steamboat Co.'s management, and receives 3/8ths of the gross receipts. The "Kinsman" is 40 years old.

29. Under another agreement expiring at the same time, the earnings of the Steamboat Co. as a. Taisan and Lungshan are pooled with those of a. Fatsan which was built in 1887.

30. Since 1924 the Steamboat Co. has invested over a million and a half dollars in new tonnage, whereas the China Navigation Co., Ltd., still operates the a. Fatsan.

31. It will be seen that Butterfield and Swire's rights in relation to the profits of the trade between Hong Kong and Canton are the same now as they were in 1870 although Butterfield and Swire still own only 2/8ths of the Kinsman and the whole of the a. Fatsan, whereas the Steamboat Co. owns a fleet in respect of which over a million and a half dollars has been invested in new tonnage since 1924.

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SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL

Social Functions
To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
To-day—Tea Dance at Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
To-day—Dinner Dance at Republic Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Old Alleyway Dinner, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.15 p.m.
March 7—S.P.C.A. Ball, Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.

March 8—Old Bedfordian Dinner, Hong Kong Club 8 p.m.
March 14—Volunteer Corps Battery Dinner, Headquarters.

Entertainments
To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Marianne."
To-day—Star Theatre, "Nervous Wreck."

To-day—World Theatre, "Perils of the Jungle," and "Daredevil's Reward" at 2.30 and 7.15 p.m.; "Laugh Clown Laugh" at 5.15 and 9.20 p.m.

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "The Private Life of Helen of Troy."
March 22, 25, 26 (matinee), 27, 28, and 29—A.D.C.—"And So To Bed," Theatre Royal.

Sports
See Special Sports Diary on page 9.

Home Mail
To-morrow—Outward for Europe via Siberia and Europe via Vancouver (Empress of Asia), 10 a.m.

Meetings
To-day—Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
March 10—Union Waterboat Co., meeting of shareholders, Dowell & Co.'s office, 11 a.m.

March 12—Hong Kong Electric Co., shareholders' meeting, 11 a.m.
Miscellaneous

To-day—Address by Mrs. Southern on "Jane Austen" at Government House, 5.30 p.m.
To-morrow—Distribution of prizes by H.E. Officer Administering the Government at King's College, 11 a.m.

March 6—Annual Show of Flowers and Vegetables, City Hall, 8-6 p.m.
March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10—Lectures in "Modern Architecture" by Mr. C. E. Moore, University Engineering Society.

STOOL AS A WEAPON
Charged with assaulting a fellow worker, two Chinese carpenters were taken to the Kowloon Magistracy this morning remanded for 24 hours on the ground that the complainant was in hospital suffering from a wound on the head, which he is alleged to have received in a tea house last night, from a broken wooden stool.

prejudicial to the interest of others. Therefore, there is no reason to doubt that from the experience thus gained both parties will realise that before the termination of the existing agreements at the end of 1930 some satisfactory arrangement could be concluded.

34. There are not, and never have been, any personal feelings between Mr. Woo and myself whatsoever. Apart from being a large shareholder of the Company I must look to the interests of the Company in the conscientious exercise of my duties as a director. The fact that Mr. Woo has done well or badly in years gone by is irrelevant. The only pertinent question is: What is in the best interest of the Company? To my mind it is unthinkable, in any other line of business, that a commercial concern should deliberately favour a strong competitor and would act in such a way as to make him stronger every day.

Amplified Guarantee
35. On the other hand, there is a person who is willing to take the contract and to pay more than Mr. Woo agreed to pay, and furnish five times more security than Mr. Woo gave. Why should not the Company give the farming contract to him? Mr. Hung has \$1,000,000 to fall back on against his undertaking to pay \$100,000 a month to the Company under his tender if it had been accepted, to liquidate his losses in the event of any freight war, which, it is surmised, might ensue. The Company is, therefore, amply guaranteed. My honest conviction is that even if the Company were to lose a little at first by giving the contract to an outsider it should do so, and I confess I cannot see any sense in not doing so where the Company would get more and be amply secured.

36. The question, therefore, for you as shareholders, to decide is whether you agree with the majority of the directors that, merely because we are doing better now than we were five years ago, we should not give the contract to a man who is willing to pay five times as much as Mr. Woo, and to improve the position for the year 1931.

37. To leave well alone and ignore the vital question of the future existence of the Company and its dependence on Mr. Woo, or whether the Company should, as soon as possible, liquidate itself from its present dependent position and award the farming contract to an outsider who will then be the most of the future of the Company, is a question which should be decided by the shareholders.

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STORY OF HADRIAN'S WALL

SIMILARITY TO THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA

RECENT DISCOVERIES

Sir George MacDonald, lecturing in Edinburgh, on "The Wall of Hadrian," began by giving a description of the remains of the Wall as they are to be seen to-day. In its most complete form it ran from Wallend, at the mouth of the Tyne, to Bowness on Solway, although there was some reason to believe that its eastern terminus was originally at Newcastle. Its breadth is usually 8 ft. or a little less, and it consists of a core of rubble and concrete, faced on each side with regularly built masonry. It must have been at least 12 ft. high, with a breastwork rising on the northern side for perhaps 4 ft. more. To the south, in the shelter of the breastwork, there would be a rampart walk about 8 ft. wide. The total elevation would thus be as much as 16 ft. or even 18 ft. In front was a ditch about 35 ft. broad and 10 ft. deep, and behind was a carefully made road. Running parallel to the Wall on the south, except for two or three miles at either extremity, was a great earthenwork known to antiquaries as the Vallum. On, or close to, the line of the stone wall were 17 forts, some of a size that would accommodate 500 men, others about twice as large.

It must not be supposed, said Sir George, that the Wall of Hadrian was intended to be an impenetrable barrier, manned from end to end like a modern trench line by soldiers. It could much more appropriately be compared to a raised sentry walk, but it was also useful as enabling the Romans to control the wheeled traffic and the customs. In these respects it resembled Roman frontier lines all through the Empire, although in actual construction it bore a closer resemblance to the Great Wall of China than to any other. It dated from the reign of the Emperor Hadrian, by whose orders it was erected after the great rebellion which broke out early in the second century and caused the Romans to abandon the conquests that Agricola had made some thirty years earlier in Scotland. The work of excavators during the past twenty or thirty years had thrown a flood of light upon its subsequent history. Their labours had made it clear that the Wall was more than once swept with the besom of destruction.

The first of these occasions was towards the end of the second century, when a second attempt to keep southern Scotland in subjection had to be abandoned. Rebuilt by the Emperor Septimius Severus, the Wall held firm for perhaps 70 years, when it was again overwhelmed by an invasion from the north. This time its defences seemed to have lain waste for many years. An inscription found last July at Bird Oswald recorded the restoration of the fort there about the year 300, and made the remarkable statement that at that time the interior buildings were a heap of earth-covered ruins. A third disaster, apparently by complete accident, occurred before the middle of the fourth century. That complete rebuilding was again required was proved by the fact that the inscription just referred to, along with another discovered at the same time and recording the repairs executed by Severus, had been used to pave the floor of the barrack room in which they were found.

Recent Investigation
Sir George then proceeded to give some account of the results of the most recent investigations. These bore witness to several extensive changes of plan which had been given effect to during the period of original construction. In the first instance apparently a series of small forts was deemed sufficient protection for the frontier. About the same time the Vallum, which was really not a vallum or rampart at all but a great flat-bottomed ditch, was dug as a civil or legal boundary. Presently some of these forts had to be doubled in size. Then came the stone wall with its mile forts and turrets. According to the original design this wall was to be about 10 feet broad, but after the foundation had been laid and some of the sections of it built, the officer in charge seemed to have become alarmed at the immense masses of material that were required. He accordingly gave in, and the ditch was to be reduced by about three feet, an alteration which it had been calculated resulted in a saving of more than 10,000,000 cubic feet of rubble and concrete.

Finally, some account was given of the work that had been done since 1926 at Bird Oswald, where notable progress had been made towards a solution of the enigma presented by the wall of turf which had been discovered there in 1926. Bird Oswald fort and its immediate surroundings were effectively to be the centre of excavations, and the work was to be carried out by the British Museum.

It was anticipated that the work would be completed in 1930, and that the results would be published in 1931.

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SIMON COMMISSION

Report Expected to Be Ready by Easter

ARMY UNIT FOR INDIA?

Rugby, Yesterday.
Secretary for India Captain Wedgwood Benn, announced that Sir John Simon, Chairman of the Indian Statutory Commission, had informed him that the Commission would be very glad to find themselves able to put their report in his hands for submission to the King soon after Easter.

No time was being wasted, but the work was so laborious and the range of subjects so large that it was as yet impossible to make a definite statement. Captain Benn added that arrangements were being made for a simultaneous publication of the report in India and this country.

Asked whether he was considering the extension of the present scheme of the stationing of a unit of His Majesty's Army in India, Captain Benn said he was ready to consider it as soon as the Government of India felt justified in recommending one on the results actually achieved.—British Wireless Service.

A clever old lady, who went into society in the days when conversation was more important than cooking, asked her niece on her return from a recent function if it had been enjoyable.

"Very," replied the niece. "The menu was great!"
"My dear," said the old lady severely, "it isn't the menu that makes a good dinner; it is the men you sit next to."

Poverty is no crime, so the Tolyer family were not criminals. They were hard up, but were not ashamed of it. If it didn't run to Jacobean furniture they were satisfied with substitutes.

"Jimmy!" called Mrs. Tolyer to her youngest son one evening, "here's a penny; run and get tonight's 'Evening Show!'"
"But we've been getting 'The Sunset Review' for the last month, Ma!" the observant boy pointed out.

"I know," snapped his mother, "but it's about time we had a change of curtains!"

The Elephant: "What are you cross about?"
The Camel: "I am not cross."
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TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS
On London—
Bank, Wire 1/5 1/2
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Bank, 30 days' sight 1/6 1/2
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Credits, 4 months' sight 1/6 1/2
Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/6 5/8
On Paris—
On Demand 907/4
Credits, 4 months' sight 982/4
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On Demand 35 %
Credits, 60 days' sight 87 1/2
On Bombay—
Wire 98
On Demand 98
On Calcutta—
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On Singapore—
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On Shanghai—
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Silver (per oz.) 2 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong 2 1/2
Copper Cash 1/10
Copper Cent 3 % prem.
Rate of Native Inland 8 1/2 %
Chinese Bank Gold 22 1/2 %
Hong Kong Bank Gold 22 1/2 %

NEARLY AN ACCIDENT!
Mr. K. C. Hamilton, of the Government Marine Surveyor's Office, was on Sunday driving his car along the Castle Peak Road. When near Tsing Lung Tan another car, driven by Mr. Blackmore, of 3 Aikman Buildings, started to move from a parking place near the roadside, and on seeing this Mr. Hamilton sounded his horn to stop it. A general misunderstanding arose but fortunately an accident was averted. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton and daughter were in one car, while Mr. and Mrs. Blackmore were in the other.

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Have You Heard?

A man went into a stationer's shop and asked to see some note-paper of good quality. He was shown some by the assistant.

"But, I say," remarked the customer, "this paper hasn't the usual water mark."
"Well, sir," replied the assistant, "that is on account of the recent drought, you know."

A clever old lady, who went into society in the days when conversation was more important than cooking, asked her niece on her return from a recent function if it had been enjoyable.

"Very," replied the niece. "The menu was great!"
"My dear," said the old lady severely, "it isn't the menu that makes a good dinner; it is the men you sit next to."

Poverty is no crime, so the Tolyer family were not criminals. They were hard up, but were not ashamed of it. If it didn't run to Jacobean furniture they were satisfied with substitutes.

"Jimmy!" called Mrs. Tolyer to her youngest son one evening, "here's a penny; run and get tonight's 'Evening Show!'"
"But we've been getting 'The Sunset Review' for the last month, Ma!" the observant boy pointed out.

"I know," snapped his mother, "but it's about time we had a change of curtains!"

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World News In Pictures

Eighth Biennial Conference



The eighth biennial conference of the National Medical Association of China was held in Shanghai from February 2 to 8. A number of important resolutions were passed at the conference, which was attended by a large number of members who came from all over China. The above picture was taken after the election of new officers.—Dr. W. S. New being the new President.—(Photo by Chung Hwa Studio)

Governor of Alaska



Governor George Alexander Park, of Alaska, sent a message to two Soviet ships asking them to give aid in the search for Lieut. Carl Ben Eielson.

Monastery at Talai Kwan, Shantung



A reproduction from an oil painting exhibited in the Hall of the Royal Asiatic Society, Shanghai, and one of the numerous fine works from the brush of the well-known Russian artist, Mr. M. A. Kirichin.—(Photo by Carson Studio)

New U.S. Minister



Mr. A. C. Rathesky, Boston banker, has been appointed American Minister to Czechoslovakia. He has been President of the United States Trust Company, as well as a trustee of Boston University, and founder of the Rathesky Charity Foundation.

Science Will Produce Life



Dr. Paul R. Hoyt, physicist in charge of the Sound Laboratory of the United States Bureau of Standards, says he is convinced that man may some day actually be able to produce life synthetically in the laboratory. The scientist says that since life is physical and chemical in its nature, science may some day learn to produce protoplasm, the basis of life.

Son of Premier



Mr. Allister P. MacDonald, son of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who was recently in the Orient.

Count Karolyi



Count Michael Karolyi, first President of the Hungarian Republic.

Shanghai Women's Club Holds Tea-Dance



Approximately 100 women attended the tea-dance which was given by the Shanghai Women's Club at the Majestic Hotel in aid of free schools, famine relief work and hospital free beds. Celebrated dancers, Marjorie Kopp and Julian Montague from the Little Club, and other entertainers performed some very attractive numbers.—(Photo by Ah Fong)

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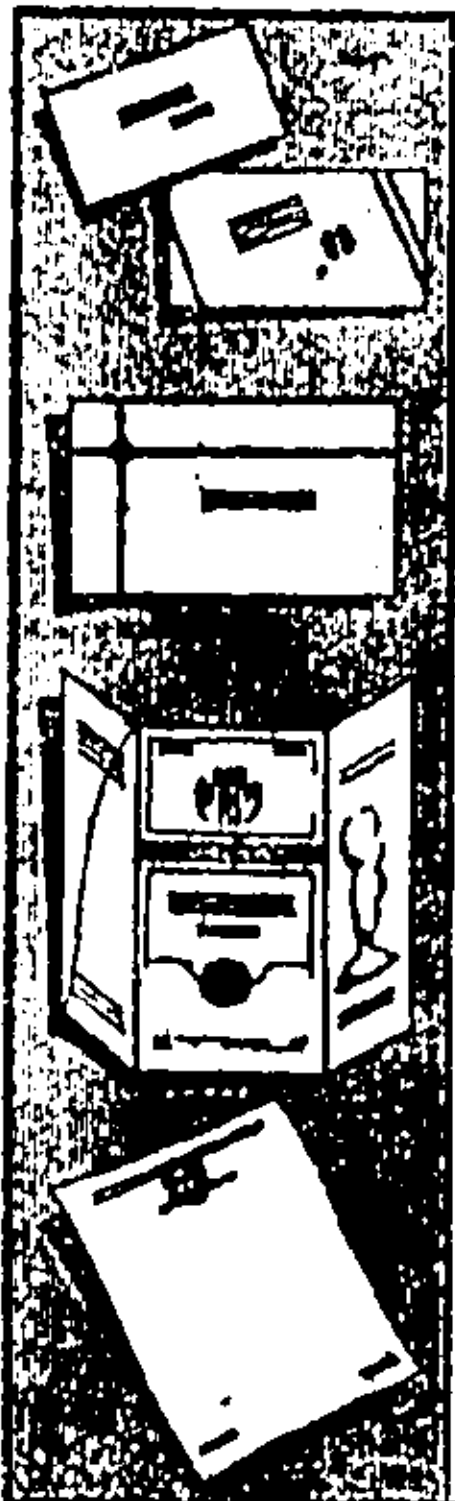
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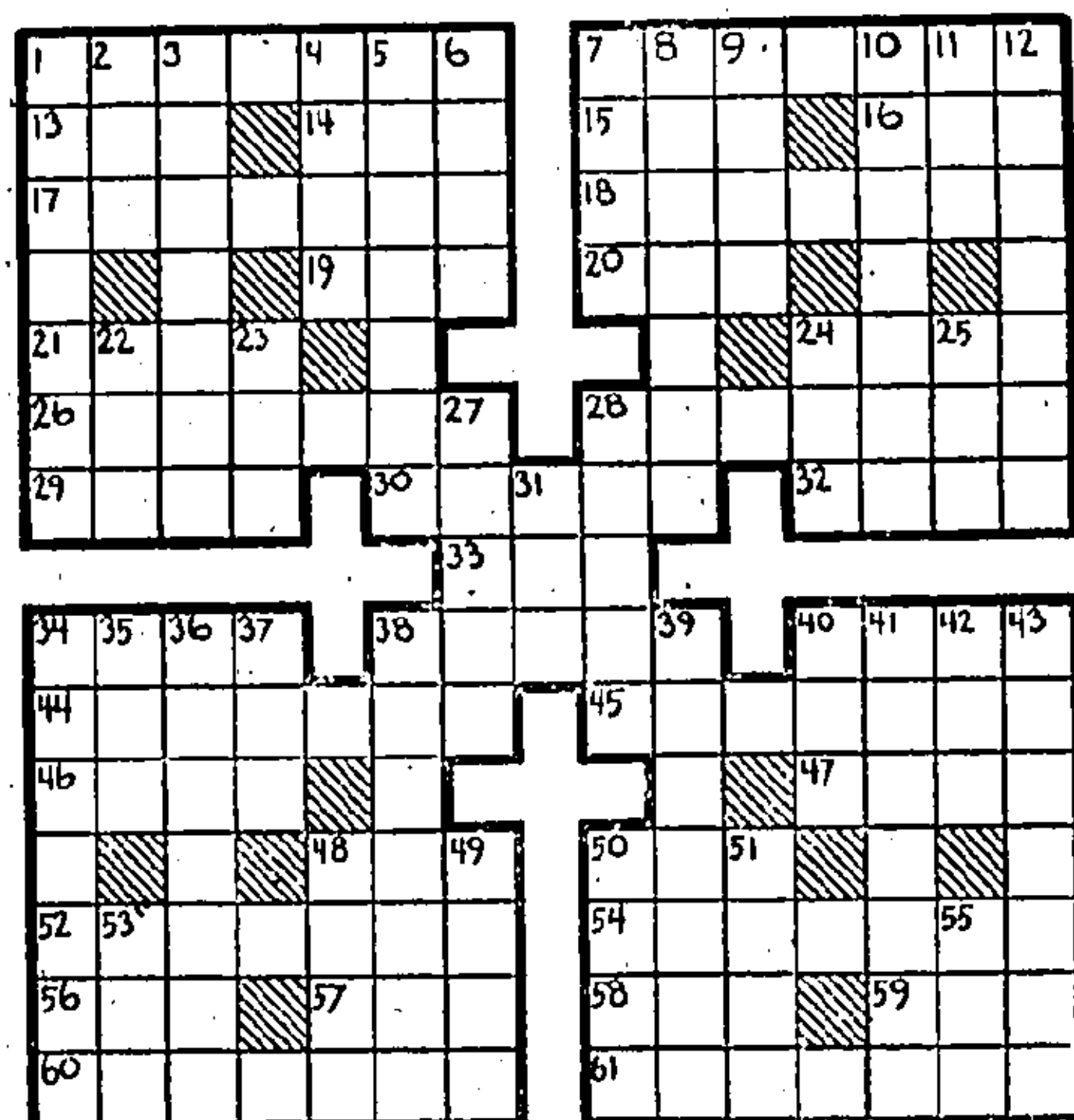
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plain, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1—An English lexigrapher
7—A noted English navigator
13—A Swedish coin
14—West Indian sorcery
15—An American Indian
16—A meadow
17—To relate
18—A small sturgeon (Rus.)
19—Equality of value
20—To sin
21—Repulsive
24—A nurse (India)
25—N. Central State of the U. S.
28—To shock
29—Desire
30—Beginning
32—A date (Rom. Antiq.)
33—Unit
34—A table-land in Western U. S.
38—Wanting in understanding
40—Incrustation from stone
44—To form an image of
45—To slander
46—Certain

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
47—Price
48—France (abbr.)
50—A color
52—Standing at the beginning
54—Announce
55—Of or from (German)
57—Saints (abbr.)
59—A playing card
60—Ever, contracted
61—Bull
62—Ridicule

VERTICAL
1—A spring flower
2—Girl's name
3—Proclaims
4—A cleansing agent
5—Ties
6—Novel, contracted
7—Trick
8—To draw
9—A sly glance
10—Illuminated (poet.)
11—A common exclamation
12—Openings in a ship's deck
22—An African antelope

VERTICAL (Cont.)
23—Yet (Prov.)
24—S. W. State of U. S. (abbr.)
25—Devoured
27—To make amends for
28—Any scene of contrast
31—Curious scraps of literature
34—A message in writing
35—An Australian bird
38—Popular small fish
37—To grow old
39—One who is ungrateful
39—Intrinsic nature of anything
40—Period of time (abbr.)
41—Bang in a low tone
42—A beast of burden
43—Superior
48—The closed hand
49—Vehicle used on snow
50—To pursue
51—Performer
53—Add not
55—A letter of the alphabet

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

RADIO TOPICS

IDEAL RECEIVER

Low Tension from the Mains

It has long been recognised that in the ideal radio receiver all supplies of electricity, both for high tension and low tension, should be derived from the electric light mains.

Because the dry 11.T. battery was undoubtedly the least satisfactory element in radio equipment, the question of eliminating the H.T. battery was the first to be tackled and for some years past listeners have been able to purchase battery eliminators or supply units for providing H.T. current for radio receivers from direct or alternating current electric light mains.

There then remained the elimination of L.T. accumulators. Truth to tell, no wholly satisfactory alternative for the accumulator has been found for use in districts where the electric light supply is direct current, but on alternating current systems the bugbear of heavy and messy accumulators which require charging at frequent intervals and often have to be carried considerable distances to a charging station can be avoided by the use of valves which can be operated from an alternating current low tension supply.

Indirectly Heated Valves

The most satisfactory types of alternating current mains valves are those known as indirectly heated valves. In these, instead of obtaining the electron emission from an activated filament, the heat is generated in a filament operating on alternating current and is transferred by radiation to an independent and highly activated cathode from which electrons are emitted. In this way all risk of hum due to use of alternating current is avoided.

In addition to the convenience resulting from the elimination of L.T. accumulators, the indirectly heated valves possess a further advantage, in that their characteristics are distinctly better than those of the corresponding battery heated valves. The improved characteristics are due to the fact that the electron emitting cathode is of larger area and it is possible to arrange the grid closer to the cathode than in an ordinary battery heated valve.

As an indication of the efficiency of the indirectly heated valves, the Mullard indirectly heated screened grid valve type S. 4V can be compared with the corresponding 4-volt battery heated valve type P.M.14, the former having an amplification factor of 1,000 as compared with 200 for the battery-heated type.

Made in Britain
British-made indirectly heated valves are fitted with heaters rated to consume "one ampere at 4-volts and the heating current may be conveniently supplied by means of a small transformer, the primary winding of which is connected to the house electricity supply, the secondary being wound to give an A.C. supply at 4-volts.

A good example of 4-volt filament transformer is the Mullard P.M. Filament Transformer. This is made in six types, suitable for various mains voltages. The connections to the electric light supply are so arranged that there is no risk of shock; an earth terminal is provided and the design in general complies in every way with the regulations of the Institution of Electrical Engineers.

In addition to the terminals connected to the ends of the 4-volt winding there is a third terminal connected internally to the electrical centre of the winding. This terminal should be connected to the earth terminal of the transformer, and also to the earth connection of the receiver.



The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 855 metres:—

5-5.30 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records by courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Company.

"John-Jo" (Rowe & McMurrough), "The Bard's Legacy" (W. F. Watt, arr. H. Hughes) (James T. Stoddart) Talking by William McCulloch.

"Deep Night" (Valce and Henderson), "I'll Never Ask for More" (Turk and Albert), "Layton and Johnstone", "Polish Dance, No. 1" (Scharwenka—Op. 3, No. 1, arr. Dan Godfrey, Jr.), "Dance of the Dwarfs" (Greig—Op. 54, arr. Fred Godfrey), B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.

5.30-6 p.m.—Auntie Letty, Auntie Madge and Uncle Jack will entertain the children.

6-7 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records by courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Company.

"Mignon"—Overture (Thomas), Milan Symphony Orchestra, "Don Giovanni—Il Mio Tesoro" (Fly "Thine to My Beloved" (Mozart), "Don Giovanni—Dalla Sua Pace (On Her Contentment) (Mozart), Heddie Nash.

"Jungle Drums, Patrol" (Albert W. Ketelbey), "Cockney Suite—No. 1", "Cockney Suite—No. 2, The Cockney Lover", "Cockney Suite—No. 1, A State Procession", Albert W. Ketelbey's Concert Orchestra.

"Cockney Suite—No. 3", "Cockney Suite—No. 4, Elegy", Albert W. Ketelbey's Concert Orchestra.

"Loch Lomond", "Studies in Imitation", Barclays Bank Male Voice Choir, Reginald Church at the Piano.

(a) "I Follow, Lo, the Footing"; (b) Trio: "How Merry We Live", (a) By Thomas Morley, edited E. H. Fellowes.

(b) By Michael East, edited E. H. Fellowes.

"O Care, Thou Wilt Despatch Me", (Thomas Weelkes, edited E. H. Fellowes).

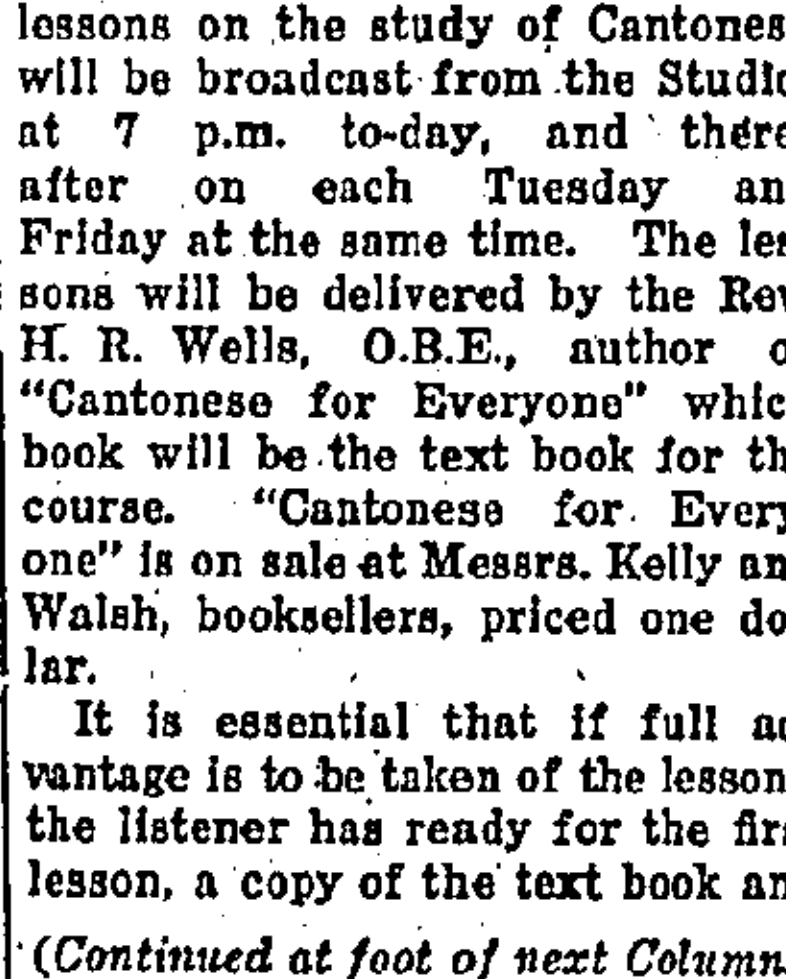
7-7.30 p.m.—First Lesson in Cantonese by Rev. H. R. Wells.

7.30-8 p.m.—Experimental Programme.

8 p.m.—Chinese Programme relayed from Ko Shing Theatre until end of play.

Study of Cantonese
The first of a series of twelve lessons on the study of Cantonese will be broadcast from the Studio, at 7 p.m. to-day, and thereafter on each Tuesday and Friday at the same time. The lessons will be delivered by the Rev. H. R. Wells, O.B.E., author of "Cantonese for Everyone" which book will be the text book for the course. "Cantonese for Everyone" is on sale at Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, booksellers, priced one dollar.

It is essential that if full advantage is to be taken of the lessons, the listener has ready for the first lesson, a copy of the text book and (Continued at foot of next Column.)



FIRST RADIO

Tribute to Great Inventors

In his interesting lecture to the University Organising Society Professor Middleton Smith said:

Great inventions are never, and great discoveries are seldom, the work of only one mind. Every great invention is really a summation of minor inventions, the final step of progressive ideas. It is not a creation but a growth—as truly so as is that of the trees of the forest.

This wonderful new gift to mankind called broadcasting is an example. You know that you hear a voice that may be many miles distant from you, and that it may easily be arranged that the voice is not only carried hundreds or even thousands of miles instantaneously, but that actually the voice that you hear is louder than the sounds given out by the speaker whose voice and tones are so accurately reproduced. Who made that possible? It is the conjoint triumph of Clerk-Maxwell and of other workers in a dozen centres of learning all over the world.

Finally, in the University of Liverpool, there was sent and received the first wireless message. Lodge did that. His great contribution was the "de-coherer" which made it possible to pick up or receive the waves and so hear the voice that is carried on the ether. Marconi, with his kites and his high masts, was the practical man who transformed the laboratory experiments into a great industry.

RADIO PORTRAIT ARREST

An order for extradition to the United States on charges of stealing \$12,000 from the Chatham Phoenix National Bank and Trust Company, New York, was made by Mr. Fry, the Bow-street magistrate, against Christen Petersen Solem Westergaard, also known as Christen Petersen, J. H. Stone, and Haskins.

Westergaard was arrested at Harwich as the result of a photograph telegraphed by wireless by the New York police to Scotland Yard.

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paper for taking notes. There will be no time to teach the first lesson again although it will be referred to in the course of the second lesson.

Listeners are further advised that Mr. Wells wishes to have letters from learners stating their difficulties, answers to which will be given in the course of the following lesson.

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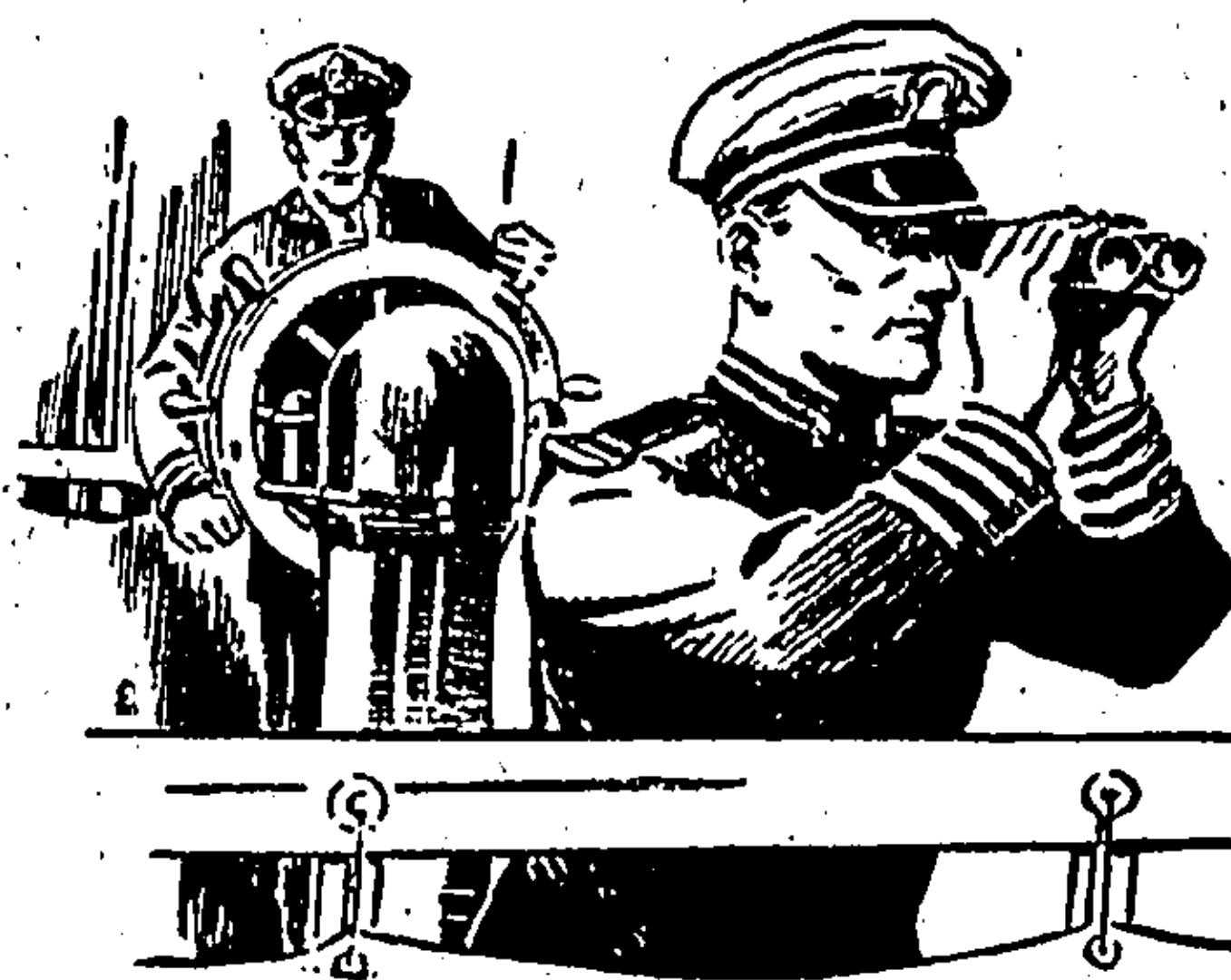
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Shanghai and Swatow	Sin Kwong
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Parcels only London, Jan. 30) and Straits	Sarpedon
FRIDAY, MARCH 7.	
Japan and Shanghai	Kashmir
SUNDAY, MARCH 9.	
Canada (Victoria, B.C., Feb. 15), U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Canada
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MONDAY, MARCH 10.	
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U.S.A. (San Francisco, Feb. 14), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Jackson

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TUESDAY, MARCH 4.	
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Sandakan	Rinsang 10 a.m.
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Straits and Calcutta	Ganges Maru 1.30 p.m.
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Amoy	Nanning 3.30 p.m.
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Bangkok	Hermes 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Sumatra 5 p.m.
Haiphong	G. G. Merlin 5 p.m.
Swatow	Chusan 5 p.m.

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KUOMINTANG SESSION CONDEMN YEN HSI-SHAN

REGULATIONS VIOLATED

Nanking, Yesterday.
The third Kuomintang Plenary Session was formally opened on March 1 under the chairmanship of President Chiang Kai-shek, passing the following decisions:-

1. That Mr. Ting Chiu-wu be appointed member of the Central Executive Committee to succeed Wang Ching-wei, dismissed.
2. That members of the Investigation Commission be elected to inquire, into matters relative to the party, political, economical and educational affairs.

"Wild Statements"

3. That whereas Yen Hsi-shan, after being entrusted with the grave responsibilities by the Party and Government and made a concurrent member of the Central Executive Committee, has combined with the militarists to issue wild statements, violating the regulations of the Party and exciting the minds of the people; and has furthermore mobilized troops and destroyed the communications, wherefore Li Shih-tung, Chang Chi and Chao Tai-wei are specially appointed to make a thorough investigation into this matter and report immediately to this Session for consideration.
4. All proposals are to be handed over on the second day to the different Investigation Committees concerned, which will investigate and submit the same for discussion on the third day. — Canton News Agency.

It is believed that 27 trains had passed over Rikoko, a 22-years-old Japanese sailor, who was found dead on the main line from Scotland outside Carlisle railway station.

NAVAL CONFERENCE

Senators and Recall of U.S. Delegates

DEMOCRATS DISAGREE

Washington, Yesterday.
In the Senate to-day a proposal by the Democrat, McKellar, to recall the American delegation to the London conference was opposed by the Democrats Swanson, (Virginia) and George (Georgia), who hoped that the delegation would continue its efforts for a reduction of the parity figure, and would not be discouraged by apparent difficulties.—Reuter's American Service.

Waiting For France

Rugby, Yesterday.
If, it is generally expected, M. Tardieu's new Government receives the confidence of the French Chamber on Wednesday, the French delegates will cross to London on the following day and the full proceedings of the Naval Conference will be resumed on Friday. The meeting of the heads of the delegations in London, which the French Ambassador, M. Fieuriel, will attend, will be held to-morrow morning. The Experts' Committee, who have been considering special vessels and are meeting to-day, have concluded their report, which will be presented to the First Committee when all the Conference re-assembles.—British Wireless Service.

Earlier Cable

New York, Yesterday.
A nation-wide appeal for a reduction, and not merely a limitation, of naval armaments, has been cabled to the American delegation in London on behalf of over twelve hundred prominent men and women, including the presidents of over two hundred of the largest colleges and universities and the Governors of eight States, as well as a number of well-known clergymen and business men.—Reuter's American Service.

Amelia Roger, of Devonport, who was fined £10 and costs at Plymouth for trading as an unlicensed money-lender, was said to have charged more than 2,000 per cent. interest.

NEW MOVE BY GEN. CHANG HSUEH-LIANG

IS THE MUKDEN ARMY COMING TO HELP NANKING?

WELCOME FOR FENG

Tientsin, Yesterday.
General Chang Hsueh-liang has suddenly increased by several thousands the Liaoning troops along Liang-tung; military trains on the Mukden-Peking line are on the continuous move. General Yen Hsi-shan wired on March 2 to General Chang, explaining that the movements of the Shanai troops have no reference to Liaoning and, at the same time, asking him for an explanation of the movement of Mukden troops to Shanhaikuan.

Martial Law

Liaoning, Yesterday.
Since the military conference held by the north-eastern authorities, martial law has been declared at Liangchow and Linyu at the border of Manchuria and Hopei; three regiments stationed at Chinchow in Manchuria are transferred to Shanhaikuan so as to co-operate with those under the Mukden General Yu Hsueh-chung.

The Kuominchun Generals

Peking, Yesterday.
The Kuominchun Generals called a military conference on March 1 at Peking and decided to issue a joint telegram in the names of Kuominchun generals, headed by Lu Chung-lin, to welcome General Feng Yu-hsiang back to Shensi, according to report. After careful consultation with his subordinates in Shensi, General Yen Hsi-shan will shortly proceed to Chengchow and Feng Yu-hsiang to Tung Kuan Pass.

Troops At Kaifeng

Kaifeng, Yesterday.
The Shanai troops of the 37th, 38th and 20th Divisions under Generals Wang Ching-kue, Li Fuk-ying and Feng Peng-tee arrived on March 1 at Kaifeng, where they called a military conference in order to maintain the peace and order of that province.

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR

Rugby, Yesterday.
Mr. G. M. Gillett, Secretary for Overseas Trade, giving figures in round numbers of the attendance at the London section of the British Industries Fair said they were: home buyers 150,000 against 111,000 in 1929; overseas buyers 4,800 against 3,700 and 51,000 against 32,000. Birmingham buyers for all classes were: 150,000 against 120,000 in 1929. Reports from both London and Birmingham indicated that the result compared very admirably with business done last year.—British Wireless Service.

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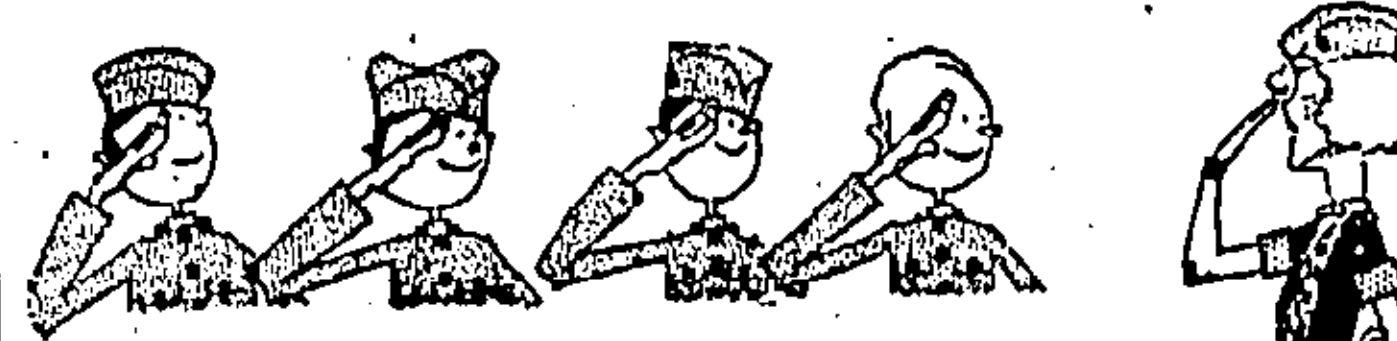
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